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**COUNCILMEMBER O'FARRELL STATEMENT ON FAIR CHANCE INITIATIVE**

CITY HALL - Los Angeles City Councilmember Mitch O'Farrell issued this statement Wednesday following the City Council vote (12-1) on the Fair Chance Initiative, which requests employers to conduct background checks after a conditional offer has been made, removing barriers to employment and providing a second chance to those with prior records.

"I know from personal experience as a former employer what the Fair Chance Initiative can do for Angelenos. This ordinance will be especially beneficial to those looking for work in a corporate environment, and I am thrilled that we are making an investment in the vast potential of human capital across Los Angeles. I will now work to make sure the City's Bureau of Contract Administration has the resources it needs to ensure the desired results of this program; giving people a second chance to enter the workforce and forge a new path forward for themselves and their loved ones." --**Councilmember Mitch O'Farrell**

The Fair Chance Initiative was heard in Councilmember O'Farrell's *Entertainment and Facilities Committee*, and originally introduced by Councilmember Curren Price. [[COUNCIL FILE](#)]

Since the vote on Wednesday was not unanimous, the item will return to the City Council for one more reading before it can be sent to the Mayor to sign into law.

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